

FEMININE FANCIES

STYLE FROM OUR FASHION HISTORY.

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NEW YORK, May 16.—I was talking with another clothes devotee about the mode. We mentioned the Greek influence in an evening gown, an early Victorian afternoon frock, a lingerie conception that suggested the Empress Eugenie in her prime, the Bourbon tendencies of a satin polonaise and lace ruffles, the Zouave jacket, the turned-under Turkish trouser effect of the hem on a new skirt.

"Greek, Victorian, second empire,"



AFTERNOON FROCK OF BLUE NET TRIMMED WITH BEADS AND NATTIER BLUE VELVET FINISHING COLLAR AND CUFFS.

bourbon, zouave, Turkish," said she. "Isn't there anything American?" Of course, our history books are not so thick, by many pages, as those of the European and Asiatic countries which go back to the first faint dawn of things. But, taking us from our modest beginnings in 1492, we have a fairly respectable antiquity of our own, just the same. Include the whole continent of North America in our sur-

vey, and you have a series of pictures of variety and interest enough to inspire one would think, an occasional exploring glance from the designers who ferret ideas out of all the out-of-the-way corners of Europe.

Ignore Our History.

But consistently they pass us over and ignore our history as something parvenu and uninspiring; and so we have blue sordid instead of court gray, we get round brass buttons from a Parisian atelier instead of from West Point.

Wide, turned-down muslin collars and turned-back cuffs are introduced, but we call them cavalier instead of Puritan, although the settlers of Plymouth are completely identified with them in our minds. Probably if fashion ever adopted the coonskin cap of Daniel Boone and the pioneers, we should call it "Siberian" or "Icelandic," and if the Stetson hat of the west came into favor as a feminine headgear it would be known as "colonial" or "Australian."

"What's in the name," you say. But names have something to do with it or the French designers would not be so careful this spring to add their measure of appreciation of the assistance rendered by the British to France, by naming their new creations after English institutions. Instead of Louis-champs, Beauville or Monte Carlo, we have Eton collars, Rugby suits and Oxford blazers.

In the gown pictured today there is at least to be found a real American inspiration. The model is an afternoon affair of blue net over blue silk, and is mothered by Cheruit. The silk under bodice is deeply decollete and the net continues on over until it finishes at the throat in a double ruche, confined by a strip of natter blue velvet, which appears again in the cuffs.

Transparency Notable.

The transparency of this waist is worth notice. Possibly the fact that one out of every three evening gowns is now black, has led inevitably to the use of these materials, to lighten the effect, for half the bodice and all the sleeves. Long, transparent sleeves are a feature of the semi-formal evening gowns and formal afternoon ones of this season.

The American touch given to this gown is found in its unique trimming. The designer has gone this time to the American Indian, what she would call the "Peau-Rouge," for her idea. The belt of this gown is incriminated with fine colored beads in the true Indian style; the collar ruche is edged with them, also the cuffs, and they appear dangling merrily from the edges of the tucks at the top of the skirt. Straws show which way the wind blows, they say. Perhaps beads may be the means of turning designers' attention to a new field.

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THE LATEST AMERICAN FASHIONS.



ALTOGETHER SUITABLE FOR CREPE DE CHINE.

BY LILLIAN E. YOUNG.

After the seamstress who comes by the day has folded up her tape measure and stolen away, leaving you in a kneeling attitude weeding the carpet of the tangle of pins and threads that have grown in scores during her week's sojourn in the sewing room, with what relief do you open the closet door and view the row of fresh new frocks within, complete to the last button, and representing prophetic of sartorial perfection when you shall put them on with the hat and shoes and other accessories and walk abroad.

This is well worth all the trials of the dressmaker's stay, and gives that pleasant sense of support every woman feels in the possession of a well-stocked wardrobe.

Perhaps you have not quite decided on a design for the white crepe de chine frock you want her to make when she comes to you, snipping around your neck with icy scissors and directing your movements through lips closed grimly over a bristling row of pins. Almost every one plans for a white crepe de chine dress, knowing the real service it gives.

Here is a design that may help. It is happily suited to a development in the material and fashioned on smartly attractive lines.

Prettily contrasting is the upper part of the blouse and a skirt yoke of the

Beds of Herbs Are Again in Fashion

In our grandmothers' time there was always a bed for old-fashioned herbs in the vegetable garden. There, against sunny walls, or in prim hedges around things of a more practical nature, grew the leaved and flowered plants which made elegant perfumes, hot drinks for the cure of various ailments, seasonings for fowl and game, and which even when, in some wistful springs, perhaps, to declare love or the passing of it to faithful or delinquent lovers.

There, with parsley, marjoram and thyme, grew lavender, angelica, rue, rosemary and balm; herbs for disordered stomachs, herbs for elegant sentiments and homely usefulness. A herb bed is the next best thing to an entire garden for the woman who loves growing things and whole-some outdoor exercise, and now that we have gone back to our grandmothers' time for our clothes, why not follow her example in gardening?

Man's call for the garden of time is a harvest of the deliciously smelling plants, but if this is not available a box in a sunny window would grow several varieties. Chives, which are capital for seasoning salads, may be raised in a clay flower pot.

For kitchen uses fresh herbs, such as parsley, thyme, tarragon, sorrel, sage and marjoram, are invaluable. The Laplanders extol the virtues of angelica for coughs and other chest disorders. Some, which is a hardy annual, is used in Italy when the leaves are young and tender as a raw or cooked salad, and in France its flowers, like those of nasturtium, for ornament salads.

Caraway, coriander and anise seed are useful for cakes and bread and the last few things with cold water, are excellent for the medicine chest. The situation most suitable for a herb bed should have a gentle slope toward the south. The worst soil for herbs is that of stiff, clayey description. But as a general recommendation for the right sort will not suit all herbs, it is best to go by a garden book.

THE DAILY MENU.

BREAKFAST
Strawberries Cereal
Beefsteak Fried Potatoes
Rolls Coffee

DINNER
Clear Soup
Bread and Butter Sandwiches
Baked Hind Quarter of Lamb
Mint Sauce
New Potatoes Eggplant Fritters
Strawberry Ice Cream Jumbles

SUPPER
Sliced Cold Lamb
Lettuce Salad Sandwiches
Olives Salted Nuts
Currant Buns Jelly
Lemon Cake Cocoa

Swift and Company's sales of Beef in Washington, D. C., for the week ending Saturday averaged as follows: Domestic beef, 12.27c per pound.—Advertisement.

Keeping the Refrigerator Always Clean and Cold

For keeping the refrigerator sweet-smelling, employ charcoal in lumps. Nothing is so efficacious. A little bit goes a long way.

The daily cleaning of the refrigerator is often done in a slovenly manner and is disastrous to the supply of ice. Some servants mix this task in with their dishwashing and morning work, prolonging it unnecessarily. In reality it should be done with dispatch and system. These directions for the buyer of a department store are worth considering.

Before cleaning the refrigerator remove all articles of food to a table or shelf within easy reach. Have ready in the stationary tubs or an ordinary washbasin plenty of hot water, softened with a dash of household ammonia and good white soap which is free from odor; and if over all are laid shelves and movable fixtures, including the tray on which the ice rests. The ice should be wrapped in newspaper and set in the coldest spot available. When the fixtures are washed set them out in the sun to air and sweeten.

With the same suds wash the walls of the refrigerator, rinsing thoroughly the last few things with cold water. Bring in the fixtures, dip them in cold water, fit them into the refrigerator, remove the paper from the ice, return

it to the proper compartment, lay a newspaper over it and shut the door. Then as quickly as possible return all food to its proper place and shut up the refrigerator.

If food is put away carefully in clean receptacles a refrigerator should not be cleaned more than twice a week.

For the refrigerator which is not connected with a sewer or outdoor drainage one may buy a new and cleanly trap for carrying the water into the waste pan.

This trap is attached to the waste pipe from the ice compartment, and is seen in shape. Inside the cone-shaped piece is a corrugated center of metal, not unlike a half-open umbrella, which comes to a sharp, closed point. The water from the ice runs into this corrugated piece and, finding no outlet at the point, is forced upward again and pushes its way through tiny openings with a pressure first downward and then upward.

All orders pass out through the little windows and not upward into the ice chest proper. The trap can be removed and cleaned daily.

Many families who take a summer cottage for a month or so do not wish to move out good furniture, including a well made refrigerator. For the short stay, a galvanized iron tub can be made to serve all purposes and it will not waste the ice if properly cared for.

It should be lined with newspapers and the ice, placed in the center of the tub, should be wrapped first in newspaper and then in a heavy piece of old blanket. Between the ice and the wall of the tub, tiers such as are seen in egg cases should stand so that the god will be raised above the water which will naturally accumulate.

It is a mistake to think that milk bottles, butter jars, etc., must sit directly against the ice. Between the wrapped ice and the lined walls of the tub there will be a current of air sufficient to keep the perishable food in good condition; and if over all are laid more newspapers and a heavy piece of wool or carpet, less ice will be consumed than in the average refrigerator.

CAKES THAT KEEP.

There is always demand for cakes that keep—that can be kept in the cake box for a week or two, ready to furnish savory slices for afternoon tea or the glass of lemonade offered to a guest on a warm day, or to add to the luncheon dessert if need be. Here are recipes for some very good cakes that can be relied on for freshness for a good many days.

Pork Cake.

This is an old recipe for a very good cake and it is rather odd that it is not very difficult to prepare. It will keep for a year, and there are stories of old-time housekeepers who used to make next year's pork cakes on the day when they began to eat those made last year. The recipe for this cake calls for a pound of salt pork chopped

fine. Pour a pint of boiling water over this and add two cups of molasses and two of sugar, sifted with a teaspoonful of cinnamon and half a teaspoonful of cloves and nutmeg. Then add eight cups of pastry flour and a pound of seeded raisins, three-quarters of a pound of currants and a quarter of a pound of citron, shredded, all the fruit dredged with some of the flour. In the last add a heaping teaspoonful of soda dissolved in boiling water. Bake for about two hours in a moderate oven.

Nut Spice Loaf.

Cream half a cup of butter with two cups of sugar; add the yolks of four eggs, well beaten and half a cup of molasses. Sift two and a half cups of flour—sifted once before measuring—with a teaspoonful of cinnamon, half a teaspoonful of cloves and a quarter of a teaspoonful of nutmeg. Dredge a cup of raisins, chopped, half a cup of cleaned currants, and half a cup of English walnut meats in the flour and add to the liquid ingredients. Then add a teaspoonful of soda and a teaspoonful of flour and a half of baking powder and bake. These ingredients make two loaves, but half the amount can be made satisfactorily.

Coffee Cake.

Cream a cup of butter with two of sugar and add four beaten eggs, two tablespoonsful of molasses and a cup of cold boiled coffee, and three and three-quarters cups of flour sifted with five teaspoonfuls of baking powder, a teaspoonful of cloves, half a teaspoonful of cinnamon, half a teaspoonful of nutmeg, half a teaspoonful of mace, half a teaspoonful of allspice. Dredge three-fourths of a cup of seeded raisins, a quarter of a cup of shredded citron and three-fourths of a cup of dried currants in some of the flour before mixing with the spices, and add the fruit last with two tablespoonsful of brandy, which may be omitted without injury to the cake. Bake slowly and carefully in one or two

loaves. The recipe may be divided for a smaller amount.

Molasses Pound Cake.

Cream two-thirds of a cup of butter with three-quarters of a cup of sugar. Add two eggs, two-thirds of a cup each of molasses and milk and two and one-eighth cups of flour, sifted with a teaspoonful of cinnamon, a quarter of a teaspoonful each of mace and cloves and half a teaspoonful of allspice. Mix a third of a cupful of citron, cut in thin shreds and half a cupful of raisins which have been put through the coarse part of the meat chopper, with some of the flour and add, with three-fourths of a teaspoonful of soda.

Cucumber Salad.

To make this salad a success mix five teaspoonfuls of sour cream, two teaspoonfuls of vinegar, one-half teaspoonful of paprika, a pinch of salt and one-half a teaspoonful of finely chopped chives. Blend all carefully and add it to the cucumbers, cut into very thin slices. Mix well and serve.

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